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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING  
GROUP 3743

Docket No.: 203970US6PCT

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

RE: Application Serial No.: 09/807,413

Applicants: **Marco FALCIANI, et al.**

Filing Date: **April 19, 2001**

For: **BAG FOR PRESERVING AND TRANSPORTING  
STERILE PRODUCTS IN POWDER FORM AND  
FOR FORMING SOLUTIONS OF SAID  
PRODUCTS IN THE BAG**

Group Art Unit: 3743

Examiner: **BASICHAS, ALFRED**

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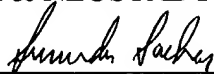
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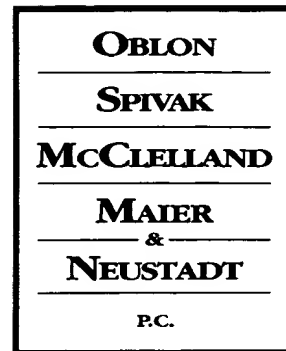
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In response to the Office Action of December 13, 2002, favorable reconsideration of this application, in view of the present response, is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 6-13 are pending in this application. Claims 6-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over U.S. patent 5,385,564 to Slater et al. (herein "Slater"), U.S. patent 5,484,434 to Scharf et al. (herein "Scharf"), or U.S. patent 4,282,863 to Beigler et al. (herein "Beigler").

Initially, applicants and applicants' representative wish to thank Examiner Basichas for the interview granted on March 12, 2003. During that interview, applicants' representative presented comments to Examiner Basichas, as also provided herein, to